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In re the Application of

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For: PIEZOELECTRIC PORCELAIN COMPOSITION, PIEZOELECTRIC DEVICE, AND
METHOD OF MAKING THEREOF

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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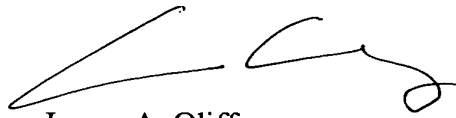
Sir:

In reply to the March 10, 2005 Restriction Requirement, Applicants provisionally
elect Group I, claims 1-23 and 28, with traverse.

It is also respectfully submitted that the subject matter of all claims is sufficiently
related that a thorough search for the subject matter of any one Group of claims would
encompass a search for the subject matter of the remaining claims. Thus, it is respectfully
submitted that the search and examination of the entire application could be made without
serious burden. See MPEP §803 in which it is stated that "if the search and examination of an
entire application can be made without serious burden, the examiner must examine it on the
merits, even though it includes claims to independent or distinct inventions" (emphasis
added). It is respectfully submitted that this policy should apply in the present application in
order to avoid unnecessary delay and expense to Applicants and duplicative examination by
the Patent Office.

Thus, withdrawal of the Restriction Requirement is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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